
Title: Codex of Oblivion 5

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Rather than fight
unnecessary battles and
waste our time on the
petty elements of
existence, we focus
ourselves on our task,
knowing that its results
are forever and our
sacrifices never in vain.

3) Spiritual-----

As before we take the
lessons of theology that
we may apply them to
ourselves. The
Convergence is release, it
is necessary and it is
final. The release it
grants is from both
mortal constraint and
mortal understanding of
life. Instead of accepting
the restraint of your
flesh and the rules
designed only to conform
you to the whims of
self-absorbed dictators,
you are to view yourself
as free of their
influence. Old treaties and
bindings that compelled
your obedience to lesser
entities are void as you
step into a new life and
new understanding of
reality.

The reason such release
is allowed, is because it
is necessary. No greater
sin would be to teach one
of the truth of Oblivion
then to demand they
remain chained to
whatever minor destiny
they believed they had to
follow. It is one thing to
say reality is "unfair". It
is an entirely different

matter to expect one to
toil in places they need
not. To bring one to the
point of understanding and
then encouraging them to
follow through is
paramount to all other
matters. Because without
these understandings and
the power to pursue
those understandings they
are lost. Last and a key
reminder
to all who hear the
words of the prophets
and whispers of Oblivion,
is that the Convergence
is final. There is no
turning back from what
one has learned. One
must choose to follow or
to deny. And those that
deny must accept their
inevitability that is their
failure. Those that take
the step of acceptance
recognize that there is
no turning back and
instead choose to move
forward, that they may
attain the enlightenment
and understanding of one
who truly sees things for
how they are.

-----Epilogue-----

"I didn't think it would
end like this. And I was
right... it didn't."

-Magus Azunda Thaumiel

Oblivion, Entropy and the
Convergence are three
distinct elements of
existence. Yet none of
them exist apart. As
they are unified in the
work of the Order of
the Ebon Skull, so too
are they unified in their
natural purposes. Entropy
does not exist merely
unto itself. It is the
river that carries the
mountains, bit by bit, into
the sea of Oblivion.
Oblivion could not be
added to were Entropy

not there to tear down
the old and cast it to
the consuming flame. They
are all a part of one
great process. It was
once explained to
me thusly:

Take a bowl and fill it
with water. All that is
outside of the bowl
represents non-existence.

All that is within the
bowl represents that
which does exist. If
reality were contained like
this, then there would be
no motion. The water
within would not move;
stagnant and unchanging.
Yet if a hole were made
in the bottom of the
bowl, then the water
would leak out and motion
would begin, expelling the
stagnation of the sitting
water.

The
counter-clockwise swirl of
the water represents the
flow of Entropy. All that
is within the bowl of
reality flows with the
current of Entropy.
Oblivion is what is
reached when the water
leaves the bowl and
enters the realm of
non-existence. Yet it is
that hole that represents
the Convergence. The
moment where that which
was escapes the confines
of the bowl and is
released from its
corrupted and unmoving
existence.

In this way we can see
the process of the
natural flow towards
Oblivion. Entropy grants
motion and change to the
world. The Convergence is
the opening through which
the world passes. And
Oblivion is the final
release which grants
those stuck within the
confines of a dirty and

unforgiving world a true
age of freedom.

To those who read these
words, bear witness to
the truths that lie
herein, for they are the
words and collected
understandings of both
the ancient and present
eras.

To read these words is
the understand that
glorious work of the
Order of the Ebon Skull.

To recognize what has
been done in the name of
progress and healing.

There will always be
detractors who declare
our intentions impure or
selfish and indeed there
may be those amongst us
whose intents are truly
that. But to the learned
acolyte, it can be seen
that we stand to be
more than those who
seek material gain.

Conquering lands and
uniting people in the name
of some sort of
ephemeral "freedom",
"peace" or "protection" is
but the boasts of deluded
tyrants who think only of
themselves.

Stand tall, servants of
the Ebon Skull of every
age. The balances of
power may shift in this
world, as they often do;
but just as those who
maintained the watch
those many years ago, so
too will you stand upon
the world stage and
proclaim the ever rising
tide of Oblivion. You
cannot fail as victory
was determined at the
creation of reality.

Our Order is ancient as
is our creed and it has
weathered many storms.
From the fall of Caina,
to the destruction of the
original Ebon Skull, to

even our present wars,
we have endured. Not for
a reason as pitiful as
"we must". But because
we simply always will. All
who read these words,
whether they bow to our
work or not, have
unwittingly pronounced the
work of Oblivion. You
cannot forget what you
have learned here and
reality itself will
constantly remind you of
its truth.

Do not attempt to take
these teachings apart,
using only the bits you
like. Teach at
whatever rate you
desire, but do not
leave the teaching
undone. To do so is to
invite uncertainty and
corruption into the
minds of those who
hear. The Entropic Chant
is perhaps the most
brilliantly produced litany
of any age. All of it
speaks volumes to the
truth of the world
around us. But it is the
last stanza that you,
dear reader, must
remember:

"You cannot escape me.
You cannot defeat me.
You can only embrace
me."
Etheng.
Keruilath la mornvas.
Walk in Darkness.

*The entropic image, the
Mark of Thorns, takes up
this page*